

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

MICHAEL ANGELO ESPARZA,

Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Respondent.

CASE NO. C22-5961 BHS

ORDER REQUIRING ANSWER

This matter comes before the Court on the Petitioner's Motion to Vacate, Set Aside or Correct Sentence pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255(a).

It is hereby ORDERED THAT:

1. The United States shall file and serve an answer in accordance with Rule 5 of the Rules Governing § 2255 Cases in the United States District Courts not later than January 27, 2023. As part of such answer, The United States should state its position as to

1 whether an evidentiary hearing is necessary and whether there is any issue as to abuse or
2 delay under Rule 9.

3 2. Any reply by Petitioner shall be filed and served on or before February 10,
4 2023, and the Clerk shall note the 2255 motion on the Court's calendar for February 10,
5 2023.

6 Dated this 15th day of December, 2022.

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10 United States District Judge
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